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H.B. No. 2097

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the personal and official use of state vehicles.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 2113.013, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b-1) An officer or employee of a state agency who is authorized to use a state-owned or state-leased motor vehicle under Subsection (b) may not use either state money to purchase fuel or state-owned fuel to operate the vehicle. The officer or employee may submit a request for reimbursement in accordance with state law for fuel costs associated with conducting official state business. An officer or employee who submits a request for reimbursement under this subsection must submit a report in compliance with Section 2203.001.

SECTION 2. Section 2203.001, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (c-1) to read as follows:

(c) A report filed under this section must show:

(1) the purpose for which the vehicle was used;

(2) the mileage traveled, including a detailed point-by-point accounting of the mileage between stops and the purpose for each stop;

(3) the amounts of gasoline and oil consumed;

(4) the passengers carried; and

1           (5) other information necessary to a proper record of  
2 the use of the vehicle.

3           (c-1) A state agency that uses state-owned or state-leased  
4 vehicles for undercover or security purposes may develop a  
5 code-based system to identify locations for the purposes of this  
6 section.

7           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.